

### STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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#### **NOTICE OF HEARING**

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**DOCKET NO. 0909-R-70-T** 

PETITIONERS: Department of Transportation Regulatory & Compliance Unit

2800 Berlin Turnpike Newington, CT 06111

HEARING ASSIGNED: Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Department of Transportation

2800 Berlin Turnpike Newington, Connecticut Conference Room A

### PETITION FOR STATEWIDE UNIFIED TAXICAB RATES OF FARE

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes ("C.G.S.") Section 13b-96, as amended, and Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("RCSA") Section 13b-96-37, the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Regulatory & Compliance Unit (hereinafter "Petitioners") hereby respectfully petition the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation (hereinafter "Department"), for authorization to amend or unify the metered rates of fare for statewide taxicab operation.

### I. <u>REQUEST</u>

Petitioners request that the Commissioner grant the current predominant statewide taxicab metered rates of fare, plus the fuel surcharge, as a unified mandatory statewide rate.

## II. RATES AND CHARGES REQUESTED

The petitioners request the predominant rate as follows to be the unified statewide rate:

Meter Drop: \$2.25 first 1/9<sup>th</sup> mile

Travel: \$ .25 each additional 1/9<sup>th</sup> mile

Waiting Time: \$ .25 every 29 seconds

# B. Fuel Surcharge

The petitioner seeks authorization to merge the fuel surcharge into the metered rates of fare and make it a mandatory requirement (rather than participatory) for all taxicab companies operating with the State of Connecticut.

As of January 2010, the current fuel surcharge is \$1.00 added to the drop. The fuel surcharge is subject to review and revision every three months.

Pursuant to Section 4-177a of the Connecticut General Statutes, any person may request party status, if such person has submitted a written petition to the agency and mailed copies to all parties, at least five (5) days before the date of the hearing and the petition states facts that demonstrate that the petitioner's legal rights, duties or privileges shall be specifically affected by the agency's decision in the contested case.

In addition, any person may request intervenor status if such person has submitted a written petition to the agency and mailed copies to all parties, at least five (5) days before the date of the hearing and the petition states facts that demonstrate that the petitioner's participation is in the interests of justice and will not impair the orderly conduct of the proceedings.

All petitions for party or intervenor status must be submitted in written form and received by this department no later than five (5) days prior to the date of hearing. Otherwise, such requested status shall be subject to denial. The five-day requirement may be waived at any time before or after the commencement of the hearing on a showing of GOOD CAUSE. Copies of any requests for party or intervenor status must be mailed to the applicant and to all known parties.

An original and **FOUR (4) COPIES** of all prepared documents and exhibits intended to be introduced as evidence in this matter by the applicant, party, or intervenor must be filed with the department no less than **SEVEN (7) DAYS** prior to the date of hearing. All filings must be mailed to:

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2800 Berlin Turnpike
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Attn: Linda Dillon

Deaf and hearing impaired persons wishing to attend this public hearing or requiring an interpreter may make arrangements by contacting the Department of Transportation's Office of Communications at **(860) 594-3062 (VOICE ONLY)** at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

Parties and intervenors requiring an interpreter (translator) for this public hearing must provide a court certified interpreter and must notify the Department of Transportation by contacting the Department's Administrative Law Unit at (860) 594-2875 at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

If the hearing is postponed due to inclement weather, the hearing will be rescheduled for the next available date. Confirmation will be sent of the new date of hearing. For any questions regarding postponements, please call (860) 594-2875.

Dated at Newington, Connecticut, this 19th day of January 2010.

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